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[Postgame radio interview](#) with [Zack Bryant](#)

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STATESBORO – [Zack Bryant](#) scored 12 points, including four in the extra period, as Georgia Southern fought off Troy for a 67-64 Sun Belt men's basketball win in overtime Friday evening in Hanner Fieldhouse.

Bryant helped the Eagles build a 66-62 cushion in the extra session, but Troy trimmed it to two points and had the ball with 19.8 seconds to go after an Eagle

turnover. Kam Woods, who finished with a game-high 23 points, drove to the hoop and tried to get Bryant to bite on a pump fake, but the senior stayed with him and blocked his shot with 8.2 seconds remaining.

[Elijah McCadden](#) secured the rebound for Georgia Southern (8-6, 2-3) and was fouled. The junior made 1 of 2 from the free-throw line with 7.8 seconds left and then bothered Khalyl Waters' 3-point try from the top of the key as the buzzer sounded to preserve the win.

Eagles of the Game

Bryant tallied four rebounds, a team-high three assists and two steals. [Kamari Brown](#) made three 3-pointers and finished the game with 12 points, while [Eric Boone](#) and [Kaden Archie](#) each scored nine

Key Moments

The Eagles suffered through a scoring drought that lasted 10:49 in the first half as they missed 12 straight shots from the field. They hung in there with their defense and capped the frame with a 17-4 run to take a 32-27 lead at the break. GS capped the stretch with four consecutive 3-pointers, and Brown nailed the last two, including one from the corner as the halftime horn sounded.

Troy (6-6, 1-2) trailed by as many as 11 in the second half but forced six Eagle turnovers in the final three minutes of regulation. The Trojans trailed 59-55 following a [Prince Toyambi](#) free throw with 41.7 seconds left in regulation, but Woods made a driving layup, Georgia Southern turned it over and Waters netted a putback with 22.8 seconds left to tie the score 59-59.

Stats and Notes

- Georgia Southern held Troy to 35 percent shooting in the game, including 29 percent in the second half and overtime combined.
- Thirteen of the Eagles' 17 turnovers in the game came after halftime.
- It was the second overtime win of the season for the Eagles, who have won their last four games that required an extra period.

Next Up

The Eagles and Trojans will meet again Saturday in Hanner Fieldhouse. Tipoff is set for 3 p.m., and the game will air live on ESPN+ and the GS Sports Network.